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(SBU) On June 14, poloff delivered reftel points, which requested ROK support for amendments to the Statutes of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, to Lee Ong-young, Deputy Director of the Human Rights and Social Affairs Division at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Lee noted that the ROKG shared a similar position with the USG on the Third Protocol. The ROKG would vote in favor of changing the Statutes to reflect the adoption of the Third Protocol at the June 20-21 International Conference of the Red Cross and the Red Crescent. Seoul would oppose any efforts seeking an early adjournment. Representatives of the ROK mission in Geneva will attend the conference as senior ROK officials planned to accompany Foreign Minister Ban Ki-moon to the inaugural UN HRC session. Lee added that the ROKG would also convey reftel points to its mission in Geneva.  
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